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TOPIC Occupation of Military Installations in Weimar

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REMARKS

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This is UNEVALUATED Information

1. Between 1 and 5 October 1954, the Lumtzendorf Kaserne (8502), the Tannenberg Kaserne (8503) and the Flak Kaserne (8501) in Weimar were occupied to capacity. The following details were learned:

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Lumtzendorf Kaserne:

Western section: still housed a hospital.

Middle section: a signal unit of about 150 men and, in the morning of 1 October, about 900 recruits who had arrived during the second half of September. At 1326 on 1 October, 250 recruits were transferred toward Gera and about 50 to 60 soldiers went to Rudolstadt.

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Eastern section: an AAA unit of approximately 250 men with 8 light AAA guns of about 22 mm. The unit arrived by road during the night of 27 September. The guns were towed by trucks including B 3-xxxx and B 6-xx-xx. The installation also housed a motor transport unit of about 150 men.

Tannenberg Kaserne: a mortar unit which, during the night of 27 September reached the installation by road via the three approach roads, namely Friedrich-Engelsring, Thaelmann Strasse and a road from the railroad station. Six 120-mm mortars were seen on Friedrich Engels Ring. The kaserne also housed a motor transport unit of about 100 to 120 men and, allegedly, several AT guns.

Flak Kaserne: a heavy AAA unit of about 350 men and motor vehicles and a tank unit of about 300 men. Twelve T-34s and a truck of series B 6-58-xx were seen when the unit moved into the installation.

2. The Nachrichten Kaserne (8504) quartered a signal unit of 450 to 500 troops and was fully lit at nightfall. On 4 October, 150 men wearing black-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia engaged in telephone line construction in Webicht (1 km south of the kaserne).

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3. Prior to 4 October, the Panzer Kaserne (8507) quartered a detail of 30 men. No training activity or MT were noticed.

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4. The army headquarters was allegedly still stationed in Weimar-Nohra (8401 and 8402). There was intensive traffic of officers on 3 October. The four heavy AAA guns previously seen along the border of the airfield were no longer there.

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5. It was learned that an engineer unit, which had been detrained in Weimar in mid-September, was stationed in the former Buchenwald concentration camp (8508). 25X1

6. On 29 September, approximately 200 young soldiers with closely-cropped hair and red epaulets were seen on several boxcars which, coupled to a regular passenger train, passed through Weimar and went in the direction of Gera.

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Comment. In early November 1953, an installations list was drawn up on the basis of a report by previous source of the present report and confirmatory information by other sources.

According to the present report, the following units are confirmed 25X1
in their previous quarters:
The hospital in the southwestern section of the Luetzendorf Kaserne;
an U/i signal unit in the middle section of the Luetzendorf Kaserne;
a light AAA Regt of the 13th AAA Div in the eastern section of the Luetzendorf Kaserne;
The 581st Gds Mort Regt of the 20th Gds Mecz Div in the western 25X1
section of the Tannenberg Kaserne;
A heavy AAA Regt of the 13th AAA Div in the Flak Kaserne.

The following units are located in the installations listed below:
The tank battalion of the 65th Gds Mecz Regt of the 20th Gds Mecz Div in the Flak Kaserne (only since May 1954, according to unconfirmed reports by this source);
The bulk of the 65th Gds Mecz Regt in undetermined sections of the Luetzendorf Kaserne and Tannenberg Kaserne previously observed;
The personnel exchange point of the army in the middle section of the Luetzendorf Kaserne previously located in the east section of the Tannenberg Kaserne;
The 91st Sig Regt in the Nachrichten Kaserne;
The 446th Sig Bn in the Panzer Kaserne;
The army headquarters in Nohra;
The 19th Indep Gds Engr in Buchenwald.

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